



**BURIED  
ALIVE**

A SURVIVOR'S STORY

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by

ALL ABOUT

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- Workplace Safety Consultant and Implementation Specialist.
- Site Development (Earth Moving and Excavation) Construction for nearly 40 years. From shovel to General Manager.
- Safety and Production Training Specialist for Site Development and Municipal Infrastructure.
- Damage Prevention Manager



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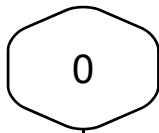
## Joe Tantarelli

### Conference Speaker:

- Army Corps of Engineers Construction Roundtable,
- Kentucky's Governor's Safety and Health Conference,
- Ohio BWC Safety Expo,
- Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services,
- Georgia Safety Health and Environmental Conference,
- Keynote and Breakout Sessions at ASSE Conferences,
- National Safety Council Conference,
- Numerous Safety Expos across North America.
- VPPPA Conference.







# Let's Go Back In Time

Way back.

**OK. Not quite that far back!**





1983

June  
6th

That's more like it.





# My Story

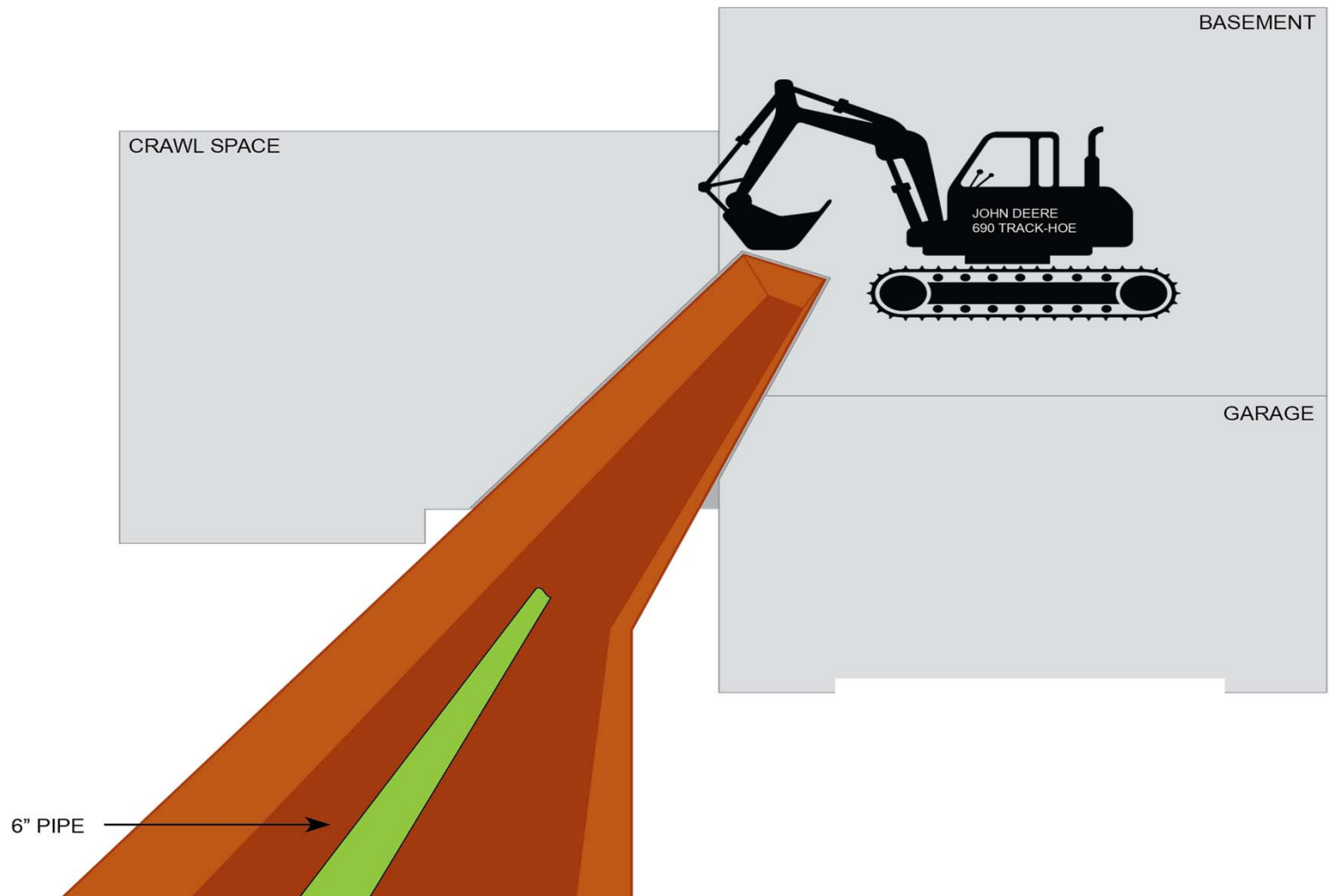
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- Fatigue
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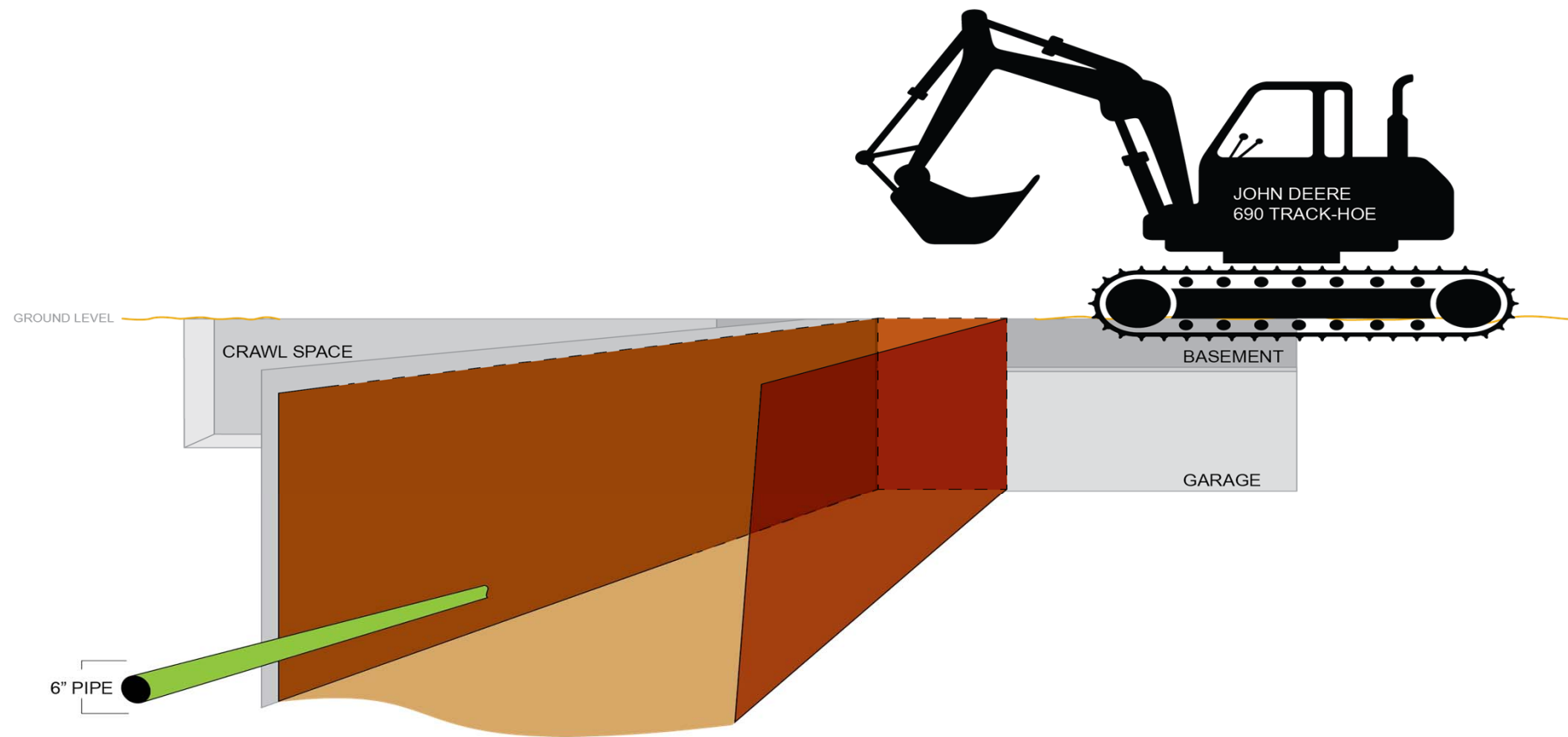
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- Balance/Traction/Grip

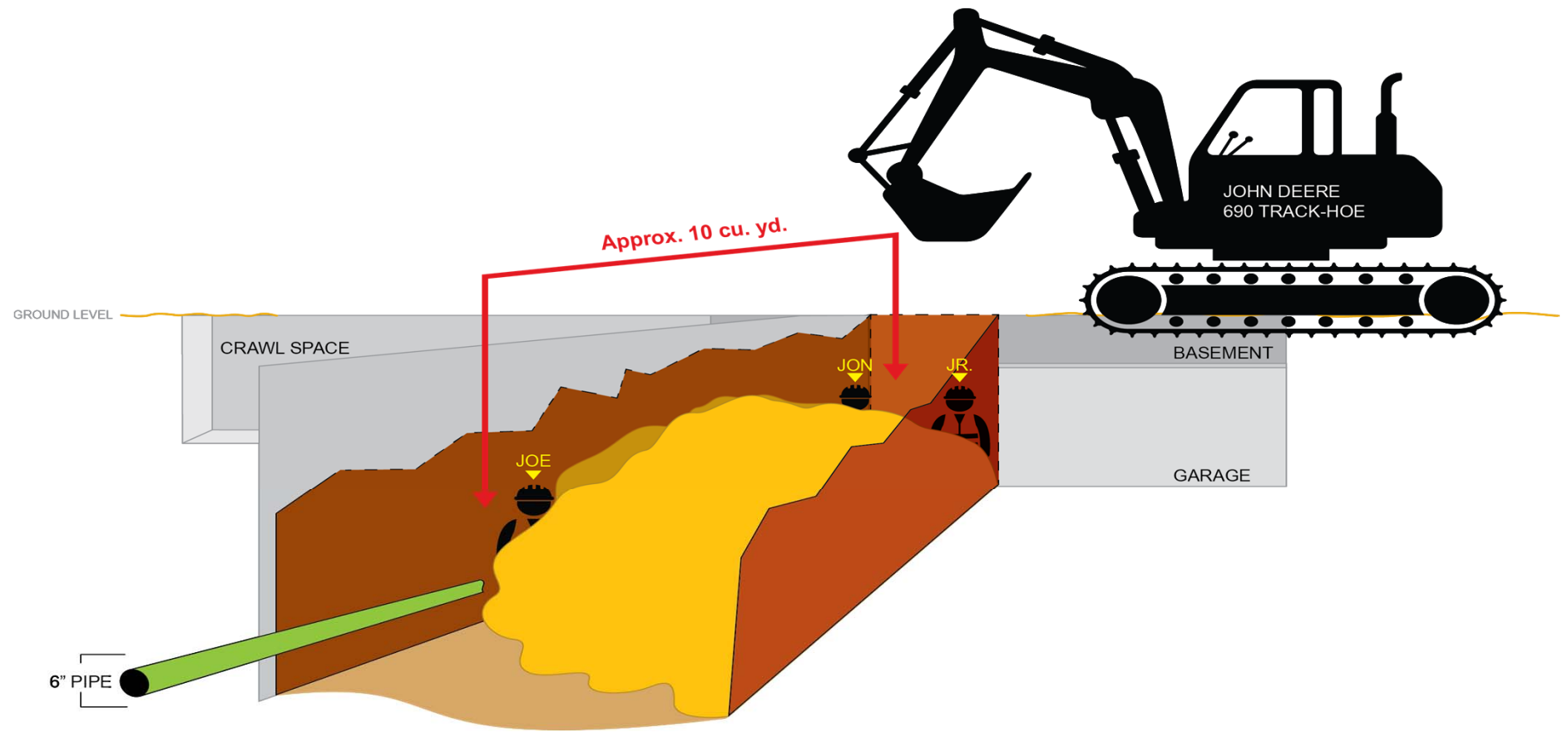
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Where it all  
began

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**MY FAMILY THEN**



Many  
years  
later

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MY FAMILY NOW





BEST OF ALL  
My  
Grandchildren





# My Story

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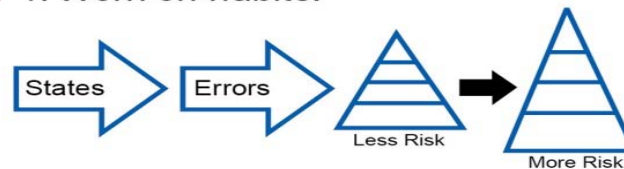
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## Critical Error Reduction Techniques (CERT)

- ✓ 1. Self-trigger on the state (or amount of hazardous energy) so you don't make a critical error.
2. Analyze close calls and small errors (to prevent agonizing over big ones).
3. Look at others for the patterns that increase the risk of injury.
- ✓ 4. Work on habits.



# PROTECT WORKERS IN TRENCHES

Prevent trench  
collapses and  
save lives:

**SLOPE** or bench  
trench walls,

**SHORE** trench walls  
with supports, or

**SHIELD** trench  
walls with trench boxes



U.S. Department of Labor



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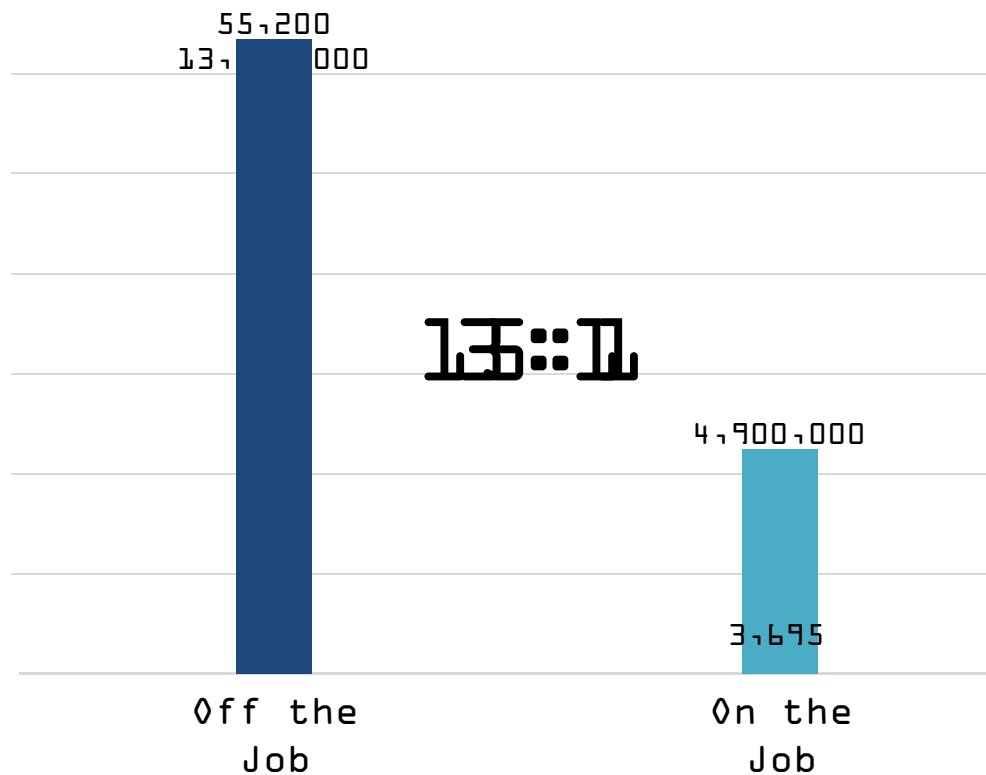
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# Off the Job vs On the Job

Unfortunately, there are nearly **three times** as many off the job injuries as on the job injuries

And there are nearly **15 times** as many off the job fatalities as on the job fatalities



Source: NSC Injury Facts, 2014 Edition, pg 63

♪♪ Clap Along if You Know What Happiness is to You! ♪♪



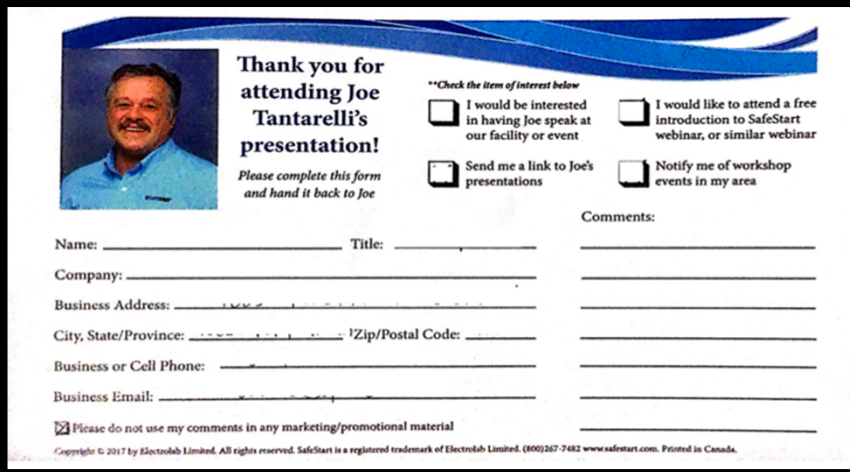


# A Happy Survivor!



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